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### **REMARKS**

#### *Drawings*

Applicant respectfully requests approval of the attached Replacement Sheet.

#### *Claims*

Claims 17-20 and 22-32 remain in the application. Claims 17, 22, and 28 are independent. Claims 1-16 and 21 have previously been canceled. Claims 22-32 have been added.

#### *Allowed Claims*

Claims 17-20 were previously allowed and remain un-amended and pending in the application.

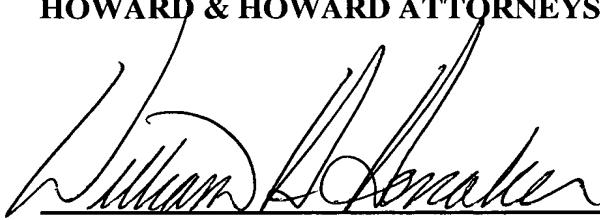
#### *Supplemental IDS*

Applicant is concurrently submitting a supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with this Amendment. Applicant considers the currently pending claims to be allowable over the references cited in the supplemental IDS. Applicant has previously discussed the most relevant references cited in the supplemental IDS in the BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION of the application, as originally filed.

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Applicant believes the application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. Applicant believes that no additional fees are required, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,  
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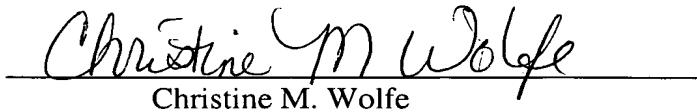
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#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Amendment is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner of Patents, MAILSTOP RCE, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on February 9, 2004.

  
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